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Subject AK Resource Extraction Initiative Add'l Funding - Phase I

At long last -- Dianne and I are ready to provide add'l funding for trips between now and May 1st, using the AK Resource Extraction Funding. As the subject implies, this is Phase I. As we progress through the next 6 - 8 weeks we expect that add'l funding will be freed up and that we will be able to fund more trips. So if you don't see a trip that you requested on this first list -- don't give up hope. Additionally, we hope to get an 0809 budget in the near future (keep in mind that we won't be spending any of that money until we get all of the 0708 funds spent).

A large number of requests were received. In order to prioritize and ensure that the funds could be obligated by May 1, we considered trips that were directly related the AK Resource Extraction (i.e. Oil/Gas, Mining, Seafood, Timber), whether or not it was an inspection trip and the timing of the trip (trips that occurred before June were given preference over trips occurring later since we must have the TA's done by May 1st). Our criteria were somewhat narrow, in comparison to previous years, as we received more requests than we currently have funding available for.

Now, to the fun part - - below is a list of approved trips. The trips are sorted by office, with the exception of AOO. If you have staff physically located in AOO their trips will be listed as AOO/your office. Funds are provided for the specific trip/individual named. If you find that a trip won't be taken or a purpose/person has changed, please email both Dianne Soderlund and myself to request the change and get approval. There is a possibility that your revised trip won't be funded as there may be other higher priority trips in the queue. Also, if a high priority resource extraction trip comes up that you have not listed, please let Dianne and myself know. Peg Lane, in AOO (907) 271-3206, will provide the DCN's and funding for these trips. It is critical that you use the DCN and PRC that she gives to you so that I can track this money.

Merry Christmas
Maria